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SUBJECT: REPORTED PREFERENTIAL EC OIL SHARING PLAN

L. A SENIOR OFFICIAL OF A LARGE AMERICAN OIL COMPANY REPORTS THAT LANTZKE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY HAS ASKED OIL COMPANIES, VIA THE INDUSTRY ADVISORY PROCEDURES OF THE IEA, TO GIVE THEIR REACTIONS TO AN EC COMMISSION PROPOSAL TO SHARE OIL PREFERENTIALLY WITHIN THE EC. THE OIL OFFICIAL SAID THE PROPOSAL APPARENTLY ORIGINATED FROM BRONDEL OF THE EC COMMISSION. WHEN WE ASKED WHETHER THIS WERE SIMPLY THE EC EMERGENCY SHARING SYSTEM AGREED LAST YEAR, THE SOURCE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD IT WAS SOMETHING NEW AND STRONGER WHICH WOULD AMONG OTHER THINGS ASSURE SUPPLIES TO NON-IEA MEMBER FRANCE AND WHICH WOULD HAVE A PURELY EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND DISCRIMINATORY ORIENTATION. WE SAID IF THIS WERE SO, WE HAD NOT HEARD OF THE PROPOSAL.

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2. THE OIL OFFICIAL SAID THE LANTZKE REQUEST PUT HIS AND HE ASSUMED SOME OTHER COMPANIES IN A DIFFICULT POSITION, SINCE THEY HAD MARKETING INTERESTS WITHIN THE EC BUT WISHED TO COOPERATE WITH THE IEA. HE WONDERED WHAT THE U.S. VIEW OF THE LANTZKE PROPOSAL WAS; WE PROMISED TO INQUIRE AND RESPOND PROMPTLY. PLEASE ADVISE.

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